## BOERS NOT BOORS.

THE DUTCH REPUBLIO AS SEEN THROUGH AN AMERICAN'S EYES.

an African Farm" and Rider Haggard's "Jess tled "Oom Paul's People," will afford an er there met and talked with nearly everybody worth

population of South Africa may be divided one great classes of individuals. First, those e only waiting for the time when they will to leave the country—the fourlanders, second who hope that that time may speedly the native born whites, and, third, those we no hope at all—the negroes.

OOM PAUL AND HIS NORE.

pose his features are not pleasant to look upon, but when lighted up by a smile they become rather attractive, and generally cause his laughter to be-come contagious among his hearers.

Then follow striking stories of Oom Paul's ability as a fighter, a hunter, a diplomat and a Churchman. THE BOER'S BEST SIDE.

From President Kritger to his people is an easy tep, and Mr. Hillegas brings to the consideration best points. He says:



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Hillegas has to say about the Boers must be taken with just a grain of sair, though it is none the less pleasant reading for all that, and one cannot but admire the author's determination to see the bright side of things. For instance, if President Krüger is not one of the homeliest men on the top of the form of further explanation is needed. then the camera is an atrocious liar. This Here is the author's reason why the Boer is ertainly no discredit to Com Paul, but here is tion has not advanced so far as it might

had with the President that throws considerable light on the Boer side of the dispute with the Out-landers, and then he goes on to tell many interesthings about the personality of the man-

KRUEGER IS NO DUDE. tte a few of them:

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THAT SOUR SPOT IN DIGESTIVE ORGANS TOUCHED DIGESTIVE TABLETS

Mr. Hillegas's almost tender description of the great man's nose:

Mr. Kruger's nose and mouth are the chief feathers of his face. Both are more extensive than his large face demands, but they are such marvels in their own peculiar way as to be distinguishing marks. The bridge of the nose grows wide as it was been cut off for almost a hundred vears from the point between the eyes, and before it reaches the tip it has a gentle upheaval. Then it spreads out on either side, and covers fully two inches of area above his upper lip. It is not his facial landscape.

If that is not making the best of a bad job what lat.

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The Boer of to-day is a creature of circum stance. Ho is outstripped because he has had a poportunities for development. Driven from Cap opportunities for develo

ROOM FOR AN ARGUMENT

Whether the British "drove" the Boers on accord is open to argument, but Mr. Hillegas sayaccord is open to argument they were driven. Perhaps Com Paul told him so Turning next to the Boer system of government

The members of the Haad or Congress seem have some queer customs. For instance:

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All the members of the Rand are obliged by law to wear black clothing and white neckides. This is wear framed to prevent some of the rural members from appearing in their burgent costumes, and has had the effect of making of the Beer Rands a most somier locking body of lawmakers. Almost all members wear long frock coats, silk hars and heavy black bosts, and when during the recesses, they appear on the plazza of the Government building with hoge pipes in their mouths, the wisdom of the black clothing law is not apparent. There is little formality in the proceedings of the Rands. The black garbed legislators make no presensions to dignified procedure, and when a playful member trips another so that he falls to the floor, or peits tim with paper buils, the whole Rand Joins in laughter.

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again blames the lobbyists, as follows:

Beset by such influences, the Raad members are naturally suspicious of every hill that is brought before them for consideration. They fear to make a move in any direction lest their motives be misconderstood, or they play into the hands of the Guilanders. One of the results of the Volksraad's fearuness is the abscise of local governments throughout the republic. There are no municipalities, counties or townships which can formulate and execute local laws. Even Johannesburg, a city of one hundred thousand population, has no municipal

ROER VIEW OF JUSTICE.

As legislators the Boers are said by the Outlandrs to be despotic. Mr. Hillegas calls this tendence dicsyncrasy, and gives some examples that might

for his protégés. He says, speaking of the first arrivals of Outlanders in the Transvaal, attract

ed by the discovery of gold:

landers say are imposed upon them by the Boers without the taxpayers having any voice in the matter, Mr. Hillegas asserts:

MONOPOLIES EXCUSED.

In addition to the subjects here only glanced at Mr. Hillegas's book contains readable chapters of the condition of the negroes, on the early history

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